



**EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2011, 9:00 AM
EAST AUSTIN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER
211 COMAL STREET (Northeast corner at East 2nd St. & Comal St.)
AUSTIN, TEXAS**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Recognition of Dr. Aletha Huston, outgoing ECC Chairperson

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3. PRESENTATION: Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan including: seven plan elements: Land Use and Transportation, Conservation and Environmental Resources, Housing and Neighborhoods, Economy, City Facilities and Services, Culture, and Society – Carol Haywood, Planning and Development Review Department. Review plan at:

www.imagineaustin.net

- Discussion of draft Imagine Austin Plan and approval of recommendations to Council and/or implement process to develop recommendations.

4. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 5 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 11, 2011 meeting

6. COMMITTEE AND WORK GROUP REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS

a. Executive Committee – Kyle Holder

- Follow-up Council Member visits about recommendations
- ECC Work Plan for 2012
- Delete Executive Committee from ECC Bylaws (Bylaws changes are subject to approval by City Council Audit & Finance Committee)
- Create an Executive Work Group with membership comprised of Officers and Work Group Chairs

b. Policy Development and Research Work Group – Anna Lisa Fahrenthold

- Early Childhood Planning effort

- ii. Approve combination of Policy Development and Research and Finance Work Groups into one Policy and Finance Work Group
 - iii. Create a Public Awareness Work Group
 - c. Providers Work Group – Jacquie Porter
 - i. Directors’ meetings
 - d. Finance Work Group – Larry Elsner
 - e. Develop Work Group membership rosters
- 7. STAFF BRIEFING – Ron Hubbard, Early Childhood Coordinator
 - a. HHSD reorganization and ECC and Coordinator placement
 - b. Child Care Status Report
 - c. Approve proposed ECC meeting schedule for calendar 2012
 - d. Workforce Solutions updates
 - i. Direct child care transfer program changes due to data systems
 - ii. Change in “sliding scale” fee system
- 8. SUCCESS BY 6 UPDATE – Leah Meunier
- 9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
 - December presentation: Community Conversations report - Tim Eubanks from Austin Voices

ADJOURNMENT

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